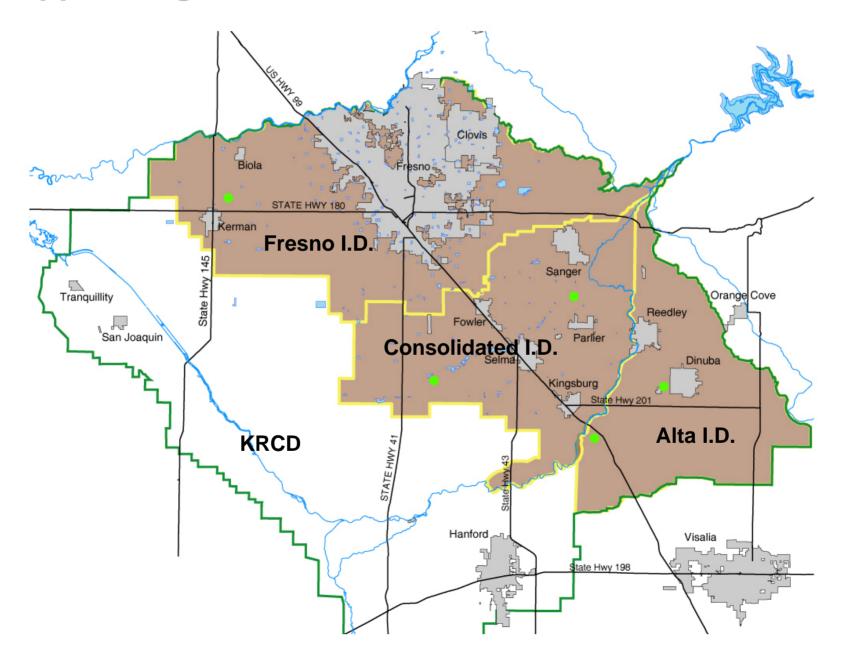


Upper Kings River Basin Water Forum Service Area



On-going Recharge Efforts

► FID's recharge program in the Fresno/Clovis Area recharges average of 60,000 acre-feet/year.

► Alta Irrigation District's effort to utilize regulation basins for water conservation: London and Button Ponding Basins.

► The Consolidated Irrigation District's Groundwater Recharge Program includes 43 basins covering approximately 1,300 acres and 8 miles of Ward's Drain, which is used for recharge.

Secured Funding from Prop. 13:

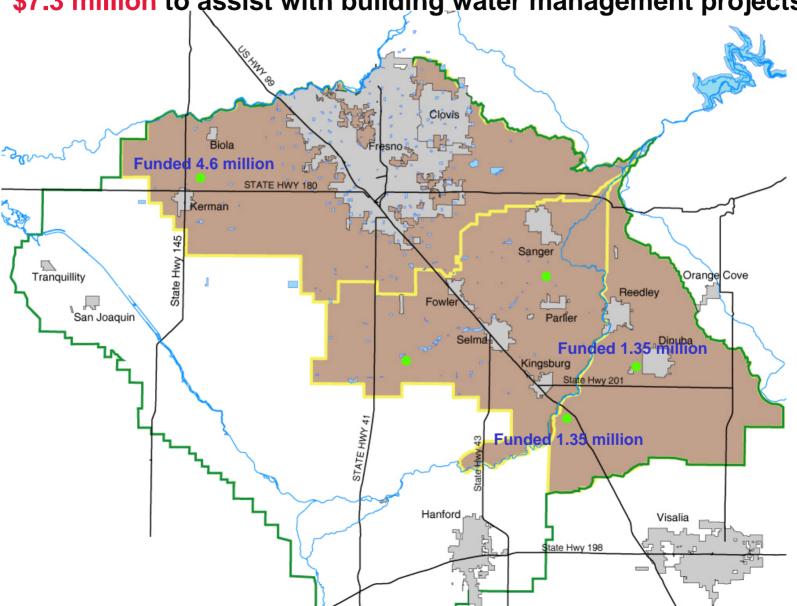
- ► Fresno I. D.: \$4.6 million for constructing Waldron Pond.
- ► Alta I.D.: \$2.7 million for Harder Pond banking program and the City of Dinuba Ponding Basin.
- ► Kings River Conservation District: \$100,000 for conducting a feasibility study of proposed sites for recharge basins.
- ► Consolidated I.D.: \$95,000 for a feasibility study to install meters.

Secured Funding from AB303:

- ► Fresno I.D.: \$220,000 for updating groundwater management plan to the SB1938 groundwater management plan.
- ► Kings River Conservation District: Two grants totaling \$470,000 for installing groundwater monitoring wells and coordination of existing AB3030 plans.
- ► Consolidated I.D.: \$200,000 for installing groundwater monitoring wells.

Multi-district regional banking facility??? Prop. 50, Integrated Regional Planning Initiative???

Basin participants, Alta and Fresno irrigation districts secured \$7.3 million to assist with building water management projects.



The Upper Kings River Basin faces a broad array of short- and long-term water resource issues:

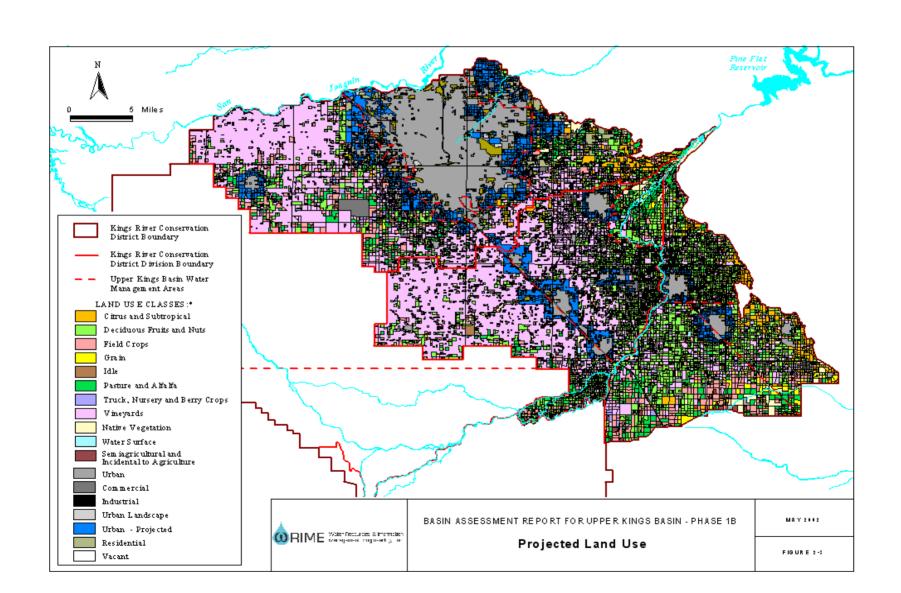


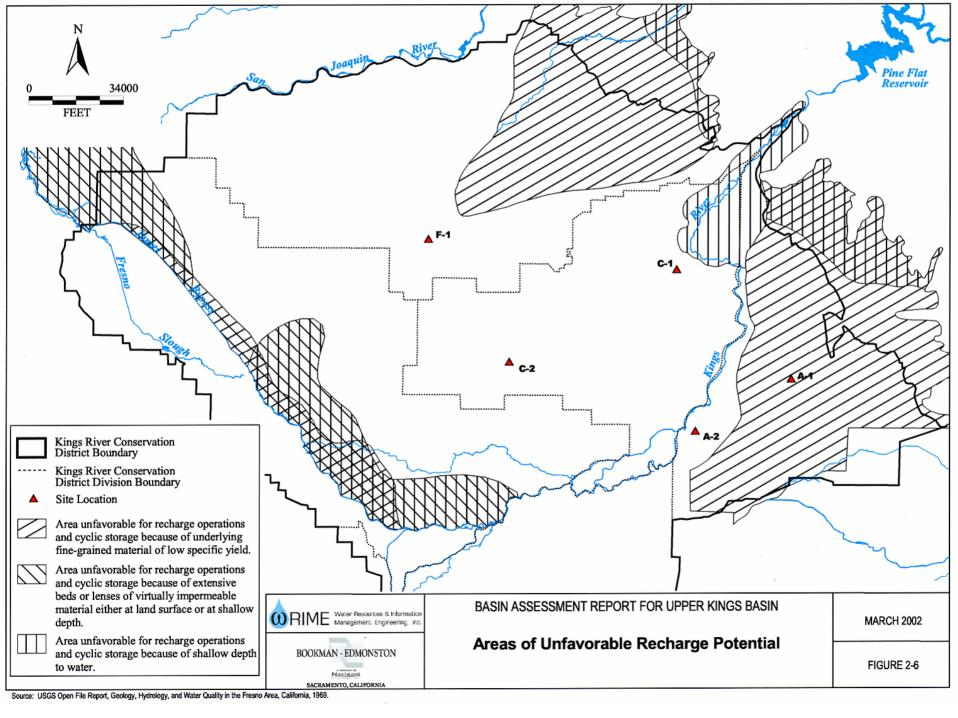
- Declining groundwater levels
- Water quality of both ground and surface water
- Long-term water supplies for ag and urban uses
- Increasing Environmental needs

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Future Land Use 2020





Address resource issues through:

- Regional planning
- Funding for projects



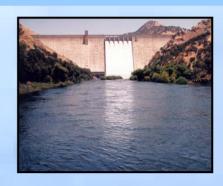
The *Upper Kings River Basin Water Forum* is one mechanism that will allow for regional planning and funding opportunities. The Water Forum is a voluntary, collaborative, multi-stakeholder process to address agricultural, urban and natural water resource needs.

Guiding Principles



- ► Educate and provide awareness to all participants and stakeholders.
- ► Improve coordination and developing a cooperative process toward resource planning.
- Compliment Kings River water rights.
- Voluntary, consensus-driven process.

Objectives



- ► Address short- and long-term water resources issues.
- ► Develop strategies that will enhance water reliability and quality for future generations.
- ► Demonstrate that local initiatives can adequately address the broader regional resource issues.

Deliverables



- ► Regional Groundwater Program to be in compliance with SB 1938.
- ▶ Identify and implement projects consistent with an integrated regional water management plan.
- ► Water resource development such as groundwater banking and water quality enhancement.

Going Forward



- ► Interested parties to develop an integrated regional water management plan
- ► Identify and prioritize critical resource issues and projects.
- Pursue funding.
- Education and public outreach

We need you to:

- Become a stakeholder member in the Forum.
- ► Participate through representation by a city manager or key resource decision maker with planning vision for the next 10 to 20 years.

Responsibility of Forum leadership:

Keep elected officials updated on issues and opportunities for projects and funding.